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This book shows librarians the strengths and weaknesses of electronic resources and the implications these resources have on collection management. It helps librarians incorporate electronic resources into their collections. The book examines the history of electronic resources in document collections and analyzes the gains and losses libraries can expect to experience in an increasingly digital environment. The book consists of seven chapters: (1) "Introduction" (Genevieve S. Owens); (2) "Electronic Resources and Budgeting: Funding at the Edge" (B. J. Johnston and Victoria Witte); (3) "Managing Electronic Resources: Public Service Considerations in a Technology Environment" (Wilbur Stolt); (4) "Journal Accessibility Factor: An Examination of Serials Value from the Standpoint of Access and Delivery" (Tim Collins and Beth Howell); (5) "U.S. Government Documents in the Electronic Era: Problems and Promise" (Katrina Stierholz); (6) "Electronic Resources: A New Set of Questions for Resource Sharing Efforts" (Donald B. Simpson); and (7) "Tradeoffs or Not: The Pros and Cons of the Electronic Library" (Frederick C. Lynden). (SWC)

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